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Rikshaw fares

* 339 *Q.*—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state whether fare tariffs have been fixed for the rickshaws, jutkas and bullock-carts in the City?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Yes, Sir.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Is the Hon. Minister aware that passengers and strangers visiting the City are taken undue advantage of by rickshaw pullers and jutka drivers and will Government fix tariff for these people also?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Yes, it has been fixed for these things also, for jutkas, coaches, single bullock-carts and all those things.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Sir, may I know whether there is any proposal to abolish these antiquated and outmodel transport vehicles in our City?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : There is no such proposal, Sir.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Sir, at least is the Hon. Minister aware of the complaints that some of our jutka drivers have a tendency to cheat incoming strangers to the City by taking them all round the City to reach a place which is very near to Central Station, like the Ramaswamy Mudaliar Choultry?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Some of the passengers must be vigilant and take steps to make complaints of such things to the authorities.

Kilpauk Government Medical College Hospital

* 340 *Q.*—SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the Centre's contribution for the Research Ward in Kilpauk Government Medical College Hospital;

(*b*) the number of patients in the Research Ward; and

(*c*) the number of research conducted and the diseases for which research is done?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (*a*) Rupees one lakh per annum.

(*b*) 42 as on 17th December 1960.

(*c*) Till October 1960, seven hundred and thirty-four cases have been treated. The diseases taken up for research (under the Ayurvedic, Siddha and Unani systems of Medicine) are as follows :—

Ayurveda :	Sopham.
	Madhu meham.
	Paksha Vadham.
Siddha :	Swasa and Kasam.
	Keel Vayu.
	Sarma Noi.
Unani :	Kuruhul Meda.
	Zarb-va-khilfa.